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Senate

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON, a Senator from the State of New York.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, Source of strength for those who seek to serve You, we praise You for that second wind of Your power that comes when we open ourselves to Your Spirit. You have promised that, "As your days so shall your strength be." Well, Lord, You know what the days are like before a recess. The Senators and all who work with them feel the pressure of the work to be done and the little time left to accomplish it. In days like these, stress mounts and our emotional reserves are drained. Physical tiredness can invade our effectiveness, and relationships can be strained. In this quiet moment, we open ourselves to the infilling of Your strength. We admit our dependence on You, seek Your guidance, and commit our work to You. Give us that healing assurance that You will provide strength to do what You guide and that there will always be enough time in any one day to do what You have planned for us to do. In Your all-powerful Name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mr. BYRD).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 9, 2002.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ROBERT C. BYRD, *President pro tempore*.

Mrs. CLINTON thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, leadership time is reserved.

MORNING BUSINESS

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 11 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

Under the previous order, the first half of the time shall be under the control of the majority leader, or his designee; under the previous order, the second half of the time shall be under the control of the Republican leader, or his designee.

AUTHORITY FOR THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PEN-SIONS COMMITTEE TO MEET

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet in executive session after the first floor vote of the day during the session on Wednesday, October 9, in SC-216. The Senate will consider the nomination of Mark B. McLellan of the District of Columbia to be Commissioner of the Food and Drugs Department of Health and Human Services.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nevada is recognized.

Mr. REID. Madam President, when we take up this legislation, I ask that the full hour and a half be allotted in morning business, so it will be shortly after 11 o'clock.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. At that time, I ask that Senator Feingold be recognized for up to 30 minutes and Senator Reed be recognized as the next Democrat in order, following Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, who would follow Senator Feingold, and then Senator Reed, and then Senator Grassley. That is, Senator Reed from Rhode Island for 45 minutes, Senator Grassley for 20 minutes, and Senator Hutchison for 30 minutes.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Senator Wellstone is to be recognized for up to 8 minutes in morning business. Senator Kennedy will have the time until 10 o'clock, and Senator Reid of Nevada will be recognized at 10 o'clock to speak. I ask unanimous consent that that be the case.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The Senator from Minnesota is recognized.

EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Mr. WELLSTONE. Madam President, shortly, a unanimous consent request will be made—and this is the third or fourth time—to pass S. 3009, the Emergency Unemployment Compensation Act of 2002, which I have introduced with the Presiding Officer, who has done so much work on this and Senator

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